



TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF  
BROOKHAVEN LABORATORY

We have before us at Brookhaven the exciting job of building the world's greatest center for fundamental research in the atomic sciences. This is a big job, but we have already made a good start. We have the backing of the Atomic Energy Commission and of the big universities of the east. We have buildings, a lot of room, and we have the beginnings of a unified team.

We are starting to build things, to buy equipment and to work together. But we have a long tough drive ahead before we can be a going Laboratory, before the No.1 File is percolating, before the first and second high voltage machines are spouting useful beams of radiation and before the half dozen or more special laboratories are turning out research and training specialists. This research and these new specialists are more urgently needed by this country than guns or butter.

To get the job done well and quickly we must all pull together, must understand in what direction to pull and why we are pulling. This news sheet will help everyone to learn what is going on and why. Your contribution of questions and suggestions will improve it.

Philip M. Morse  
Director

NEW GUESTS AT LINDENMERE

Mr. John W. Gryder of Los Angeles, Cal., a student from the California Institute of Technology and Mr. J. Malcolm Miller of Pasadena, Cal., a student from the University of California, have joined the forces of the Chemistry Dept. under Dr. Dodson for the summer months and they are residing in the guest house at Lindenmere.



One of the many popular games played at group gatherings and parties is called "What's My Name". One individual assumes the character of a noted person and indicates by more or less pointed remarks about dates, incidents etc., the name of the character selected. The other persons in the group try to guess the name. This game has been developed into a radio program and the individual who succeeds in identifying the character is rewarded with a shower of cosmetics, radices, pianos or even cash.

The responsibility for naming an employees' magazine should rest with employees as a whole. Therefore no name has been given to this publication; hence the large question mark on the masthead. All employees are invited to participate in selecting a name. We cannot, however, offer any such remuneration as is offered by the current radio program. We do hold a prize of \$10.00 for the lucky person whose suggestion is finally selected as the winner.

Please write your choice for the name on a plain sheet of paper, give your name and department at the bottom, and forward it to the office of the Acting Editor, Room 27, Building T-460.

WANTED, TO RENT Furnished 8 room house, all improvements, garage, near schools, transportation and beaches. Oil burner, shower. For family of two adults and 4 children. Willing to pay up to \$50 per month. ADV.

Oh Brother! and after they carry you out of Mr. Meader's office we suggest that you get in touch with the American Tent and Awning Co.  
(editor)

BROOKHAVEN A UNIQUE EXAMPLE  
OF UNIVERSITY COOPERATION

All of us here at Brookhaven are proud to have the sponsorship of the nine great universities that constitute Associated Universities, Inc. There is no doubt that we have their deep interest. Moreover, the scientific resources of those schools, as well as of many others in the northeast, will be of great assistance to us in building the fine Laboratory we expect to have.

I can assure all of the staff that the trustees and officers of Associated Universities will do everything in their power to speed the success of Brookhaven. I know, too, that the trustees are interested in the welfare of all of us as individuals. I am sure they are pleased that after so short a period of operation we are developing such a good team spirit at Brookhaven. Under these conditions and with fine cooperation from the Atomic Energy Commission, the future of this enterprise looks bright indeed. Everyone connected with it has a part in this. The trustees extend their best wishes for success and mutual benefit in the years ahead as this first edition of the Laboratory Magazine goes to press.

Eldon C. Shoup  
Executive Vice President

NOTED SCIENTISTS TO BE HERE

Many leading scientists will attend the summer meetings to be held here during July, August, and September. A list of those who have indicated their intention to visit the Laboratory this summer will include many well-known names. These scientists will lead informal discussions with members of the permanent staff on many phases of atomic research.

A meeting of leading biologists and medical men will be held at Brookhaven in September.

( LETTERS NOT TO THE EDITOR )

Dear Gertrude,

Well, here I am working for the Brookhaven National Laboratory and loving it. Already I have learned all about the ~~atom~~ atom and I guess I ought to learn you about it too.

It seems that there is a gob of something inside an atom called a nucleus that has neutrals and croutons. Just outside this mess is an empty space ( Lord knows what holds it together) which has electrics wandering around loose looking for a place to light.

When one of these ~~babix~~ babies hits the mess in the middle, boom, you've got energy. Simple, isn't it? Am learning about isotopes now and will give you the low down later.

This is a lovely place though sometimes I wish it was still full of soldiers. I know what to expect from soldiers but these psy.phis-~~st~~ scientific guys puzzle me. For instance, a nice feller I was talking to the other day said "You know that you are full of atoms?"

You know I'm not the one to take an insult, so I says right quick "Yeah? And you're full of soup" and I haven't seen the guy since. Well, I guess it's just as well. Imagine being out with a guy and have him say "Pardon me, I have to go split an atom."

Regards to the bunch

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INTRODUCTION:

With this edition a Laboratory house magazine, published in the interest of and for the benefit of employees of Brookhaven National Laboratory, makes its bow. It will remain anonymous until a suitable name has been chosen.

Reader interest, the life stream of a publication of this type, can best be aroused through hearty cooperation between reader and editor. Lacking facilities for a survey of prospective readers, this editor, in assuming the editorial responsibilities, must depend upon individual comments and criticisms.

If the editorial content is not to your liking, write us to that effect. Send in as many suggestions and criticisms as you may desire and any news items that you think would be appropriate.

This is your magazine. Its success depends upon the editor's ability to make it of interest to all.

SPORTS

Mr. Richard L. Vogt, an outstanding athlete who won seven letters in Baseball, Basketball and Football while attending Princeton, and was Director of Recreation of the Boy's Club of New York for six years, has joined the Brookhaven National Laboratory as Employees' Welfare and Recreational Supervisor. Mr. Vogt is planning a full recreational program and his first action has been to send out a call to all those interested in establishing an interdepartment softball league. A memorandum outlining the plan, accompanied by an entry blank has been forwarded to all employees.

Tennis fans will be interested to know that there are six tennis courts available for their use at the corner of Bell Avenue east of Upton Road.

MANY NEW TITLES BEING ADDED TO LIBRARY DAILY

Mr. John P. Binnington, Librarian, states that many new titles are being added to the Brookhaven National Laboratory Library, located temporarily in Building T-126, and that at the present time many of the newest books of general interest and of interest to scientists are available.

Almost a thousand books are on the shelves of the Library and a new ordering procedure has been put into effect which insures early delivery of those on order. Books on biology, biochemistry, and medicine as well as on physics and chemistry have been ordered.

Over 100 current periodicals were ordered last week, bringing the total subscription list to over 200. Approximately 450 volumes of back issues are now being bound and will be available for use in the Library before July first.

The Library has outgrown its present quarters and the work of preparing the new quarters in Building T-477 is progressing rapidly. The tentative date of occupancy is the first of July.

When the Library is installed in its new offices, an adequate reading room will be provided so that employees may refer, in comfort, to any of the books and periodicals on the shelves.

SOCIAL & ANTI-SOCIAL

Our roving reporter who apparently hasn't roamed very far lately, states that the unnatural glare in the main hall of the Administration Building (T-460) is not from extra-size lights, but is the reflection of the engagement ring on the left hand of Miss Grace Dege, Receptionist---that Joan Korsas, Rose Foti, Ethel Neger, and Marge Colbert have succumbed to the wiles of Cupid, who apparently is operating in spite of the rain, and have become June brides---that June Kelly, one of our mail girls, is recuperating from a recent illness and will be back at work soon---that Charlotte Lewis wonders what men learn in Puerto Rico.

UNCLASSIFIED MATERIAL

A sense of humor is a saving grace. In a serious situation the man who can laugh at himself recuperates rapidly while the individual who broods sinks into innocuous desuetude.

In the interest of more and better laughter and to bring a little lightness into a world distraught with numerous questions, this column is dedicated.

Shall we say we will practice mirth control?

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(With apologies)

It's easy enough to be pleasant  
For, of pleasure, in life  
there's no lack  
But the man worth while is  
the one who can smile  
When his form bounces back.

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MAN SHOOTS HIMSELF IN BEREA  
Headline-Cleveland Plain Dealer

Which, as any Clevelanders knows is a fatal spot just south of the medulla oblongata.

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He: The bank has returned your last check.  
She: Fine! What shall we buy with it this time?

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He: There's a certain reason why I love you.  
She: My goodness!  
He: Don't be ridiculous.

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Advice to softball fans ---  
It is fitting to encourage the team of your choice by shouting "Up and atom" but even if they perform like the Dodgers, under no circumstances refer to them as "Dem bombs".

(With further apologies)

It's easy enough to be pleasant  
When you're settled at home  
with your spouse  
But the man worth while is  
the man who can smile  
When Meader can't find him a house.

## LABORATORY TO HAVE POST OFFICE?

The establishment of our own post office at the site is no longer a remote possibility, according to Mr. James Knox, Business Manager.

"Office Services", Mr. Knox said, "is endeavoring to put the Laboratory on the map by having a post office established on the site and they are busy hunting for a name. Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York, or Research Center, New York, have been suggested; but we have flatly turned down the suggestion that the new office be named 'Upton Atom.'"

This is only one of the many activities of Knox's Department. A new group has been added to the Fiscal Division to develop budgets and records on contract activities. This is headed by Mr. H. Russell Cort.

The Purchasing Group is endeavoring to give efficient service to every part of the Laboratory. "But", stated Knox, "one of their main difficulties is the fact that everybody needs everything yesterday."

The Materials Control Group under Mr. Brick's supervision is engaged in making an inventory of property on the site in addition to taking care of the daily influx of equipment and material.

"One fact of which we are proud", Knox said, "is that despite the vicissitudes that beset a young organization, the Fiscal Division has been able to distribute payroll checks on time!"

## ATTENTION AUTOISTS!

Out-of-state auto licenses are valid in New York State for thirty days and all employees should arrange to secure NY licenses before the expiration of that period. New York Operator's licenses must be secured at the time the new plates are placed on the car.

Mr. Peter Paige, Building T-185, will have a supply of application blanks for license plates and operator's licenses. If a reasonable number apply, the Motor Vehicle Department will send an inspector to the Laboratory so that driver's tests can be taken here.

## BLUE CROSS HOSPITAL SERVICE AVAILABLE TO EMPLOYEES

On June 23, 1947 the contract between the Brookhaven National Laboratory and the Associated Hospital Service will go into effect. On this day approximately 400 employees of the Laboratory will be members of one of the largest and most highly regarded hospital service plans in the world.

The Blue Cross Plan entitles its members and their eligible dependents to the best hospital care when and where they need it, regardless of charges. In addition, under the Surgical Plan, physician's charges are paid in part in accordance with a set schedule of fees.

Employees of the Laboratory who have not availed themselves of the opportunity to enroll, and who now wish to do so, can obtain full information as to the benefits and cost of the plan from the Employee Services Office in Bldg. T-185, or by telephoning Peter Paige at Extension 269.

## ADDITIONS TO DIRECTOR'S STAFF

Captain R. D. Conrad and Barry T. Mines have recently joined the staff of Director Philip M. Morse.

Captain Conrad graduated from the Naval Academy in 1927. After two years with the Atlantic fleet, he attended the Post Graduate School of Naval Construction, studied for two years in Massachusetts Institute of Technology and one year at Cambridge University under a scholarship granted to him by the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers. He was sent to England as Technical Assistant to the Naval Attache in 1940, returned to the Office of the Coordinator of Research and Development in Washington in 1945, and retired from the Navy in 1947.

He holds the Legion of Merit for his contributions to scientific research and aid in the war effort. He has been appointed Assistant Director.

Barry T. Mines, former newspaper publisher and for many years President of New Jersey Newspapers, Inc., and owner of the Barry T. Mines Company, special newspaper representatives, has been appointed Executive Aide to the Director. (Modesty forbids me from extolling myself.) (Editor)

## MRS. ROE LAUDS LINDENMERE Says It's A Dream Come True By Mrs. Richard Roe

It's fun to live at Lindenmere -- you can work, loaf, or play to your heart's content.

The house, which is right on the bay, is both spacious and gracious. The many private rooms are decorated in excellent taste, and are large and airy enough to insure most comfortable living. The public rooms with their fireplaces, large chairs, piano, writing desks, and wonderful view of the bay, and Fire Island in the distance are so pleasant that we are lured from our room to linger and talk until long after bedtime.

Then, of course, there is the "little house for the gentlemen" with more rooms, all pleasant; and nearby is a splendid clay tennis court. There is a laundry, if laundry we must, with good tubs, washing machine, ironer, and ironing board! The grounds are so large that you can have a good long stroll and never go near the road!

Mr. and Mrs. Amende, who are in charge of Lindenmere, are dears. One can't help but like them, and they take grand care of us. Mrs. Amende is responsible for the interior arrangements and decorations that we all like so much, and Mr. Amende -- bakes! Oh and how he bakes -- such cakes, buns, pies, in fact everything! Pierre, the cook, turns out meals that are delicious and -- wonder of wonders -- inexpensive! Imagine in these days having a full course dinner with filet mignon cooked to your taste, topped off by perfect pie and good coffee for two dollars! After a few months at Lindenmere the ladies may moan over their "Lindenmere spread" but the pleasure of acquiring it is undeniable.

Then there is the beach -- not a large beach to be sure, but large enough so that you can toast in the sun, or go for a swim -- fish if you like, or take a row in one of the rowboats; or go over to Fire Island for surf bathing.

It may sound like a rosy dream, but I assure you that living at Lindenmere is the kind of living you do dream about.